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PLEASE DELIVER THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO YOUR CUSTOMER.

BEGIN TEXT

FOLLOWING IS A SUMMARY OF THE CURRENT US PROPOSAL ON SALT BEING DISCUSSED IN GENEVA:

THE US PROPOSES:

-- THAT THERE BE AN EQUAL AGGREGATE OF 2,350 ICBMS, SLBMS AND HEAVY BOMBERS.

-- THAT SLBMS AND HEAVY BOMBERS MAY BE SUBSTITUTED FOR ICBMS AND FOR EACH OTHER.

-- THAT THERE BE NO CONSTRUCTION OF ADDITIONAL FIXED LAND-BASED ICBM LAUNCHERS.

-- THAT WITHIN THIS CONTEXT THE US WOULD BE PREPARED TO CONSIDER BANNING:

. CRUISE MISSILES OF INTERCONTINENTAL RANGE.

. STRATEGIC MISSILES ON WATERBORNE VESSELS OTHER THAN SUBMARINES.

. AIR-TO-SURFACE MISSILES WITH GREATER THAN 3,000 KM RANGE.

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. FIXED OR MOBILE LAUNCHERS ON THE BEDS OF THE OCEAN OR INTERNAL WATERS.

WITHIN THE CONTEXT OF AN EQUAL AGGREGATE LIMIT FOR A PERMANENT AGREEMENT THE US WOULD BE PREPARED TO CONSIDER:

-- QUALITATIVE LIMITATIONS ON STRATEGIC BALLISTIC MISSILE FORCES.

-- A PROGRAM FOR ACHIEVING A REDUCED LEVEL OF STRATEGIC FORCES.

THE US WOULD BE PREPARED TO PROPOSE THAT THERE BE ASSURANCES TO THE EFFECT THAT NEITHER SIDE WOULD CIRCUMVENT THE AGREEMENT THROUGH THE DEPLOYMENT OF NON-CENTRAL SYSTEMS.

THE US ALSO PROPOSES A PROVISIONAL MIRV FREEZE:

-- A BAN ON THE DEVELOPMENT, TESTING, PRODUCTION AND DEPLOYMENT OF NEW AND MODIFIED MRV/MIRV SYSTEMS FOR ICBMS.

-- A LIMIT ON THE DEPLOYMENT OF MIRV/MRVS ON EACH SIDE TO THOSE ICBM LAUNCHERS ON WHICH MIRV/MRV SYSTEMS ARE OPERATIONAL OR WHICH ARE UNDER CONSTRUCTION OR CONVERSION FOR SUCH MIRV/MRV SYSTEMS AS OF AN AGREED DATE.

-- APPROPRIATE COLLATERAL CONSTRAINTS TO ENHANCE VERIFICATION BY NATIONAL TECHNICAL MEANS.

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